OLD ENGLAND:

OR,

The NATIONAL GAZETTE.

By JONATHAN FREE, *of the Duchy of* Cornwall, *Esq*;

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 1752. [No. 87.

To JONATHAN FREE, *Esq*;

Si foret in terris, rideret DEMOCRITUS!——
HOR.

SIR,

I AM apt to think, the general Clamour raiſed againſt the late *Subſidy-Treaty* with his Majeſty of *Poland*, takes not its Riſe (as hath been ſuggeſted) from the Induſtry of Malcontents, but from ſome other more latent Cauſe. I have diſcourſed with ſeveral well-meaning Men, who I am ſure are thorough Friends to the preſent Eſtabliſhment, and they are as generally unanimous in condemning it, as if they had received their Education at St. *Omers*.

Now, Sir, to find out what this miſchievous Secret (thus big with political Cenſure) could be, I confeſs I have not a little puzzled myſelf: For I was and ſtill am unwilling to impute any Folly to the Object of that Cenſure. Nay, I have been ſo ſucceſsful in my Defence of the *Subſidy* among the various Companies in which it was the Topic of Converſation when I have been preſent, that my Arguments have always been victorious againſt Arguments; but (from the undermining Operations of the ſaid occult Enemy) they have, victorious as they were, been as conſtantly blown up into the purer Regions of Air, Æther, Vacuum, or, what the uranonomical Vulgar might call, the Regions of pure Nothing.

This may appear a little paradoxical to any Underſtanding leſs than a miniſterial. For Men to diſlike what they can't at the ſame time avoid approving, how abſurd whatever *it is*: And (to ſay the Truth) 'twas a long Time ſifting and re-ſifting the Affections of the Mind and Heart before I could diſcover the particular Qualities of this apparent Contrariety. I knew they exiſted, but could not preciſely tell how or where. At length, (for I am ſometimes as happy in Diſcovery as Mr. *Romain* himſelf) I found out, that the Miſtery muſt be thus ſolved:

Men (I concluded) might, as in the preſent caſe, be eaſily argued out of *Words*, but could not with the ſame Eaſe be argued out of their *Senſes* too. Hence while the Abſence of Words (and Silence is allowed to denote Conſent or Approbation) implied their *undoubted Inutility*, the Impulſe of the Senſes would ſtill remain involuntarily the ſame: Thus, the Silence (the Mark of preſent Approbation) Mankind may condemn *Subſidies*, and conſequently they may be ſaid to approve as well as to condemn ſaid *Subſidies* in a Breath: And this is the only Mode of Solution in Nature, that I can find, nor need there other; for is not this ſound m———l *Logic?*

To this Explanation I am aware you'll object, that by this, Men only ſeem to approve what they really diſlike. I cannot anſwer Cavils better than by either not liſtening to them, or by oppoſing to them three very ſimple Words, *quod erat demonſtrandum*; and which, Sir, muſt be underſtood to be ſubjoined to the above Solution, as well to ſignify it's intrinſic Worth as to forbid any invidious and heretical Examination of it: For by what Divination, the Impulſe of *natural Underſtanding* became the *latent Cauſe* of miniſterial Cenſure, I leave only to the *Court-Magi* to unriddle.

But tho', Sir, by theſe happy means we have detected the hidden Evil before-mentioned, which, like an Ambuſcade, was occaſionally wont to make ſuch ſudden diſmal Havock with *the poor Reaſon of Things*, I ſhall not fill the Purpoſe of this Epiſtle, or the Duty of a *Briton*, if I do not attempt (at leaſt) to remove, as well as to detect, the Evil. What has taken deep Root muſt require much Strength or long Time to unroot. As the Diſapprobation of *Foreign Subſidies* has, we have ſeen, founded itſelf in the *Senſes* or *Underſtanding* of *Britons*, it will demand our cloſeſt Attention effectually to counterveil theſe *Operations of Nature*, or, as Mr. *Lock* would (for this Purpoſe more conveniently) ſay, *theſe Prejudices of Education*. The Structure we are here to raiſe for the public Good, will therefore find it's Baſis in that great Man's Syſtem of *no innate Ideas*.

I have declared the Deſign of counterveiling *the Prejudices of Education*; but, upon maturer Deliberation I propoſe, as the eaſieſt Method, to introduce

I. An entire *new Mode of Education*, by which we are to enſure

II. Univerſal Approbation (ſo far as the *Britiſh* Pale of Dominion extends muſt be underſtood only) of all *Foreign Jobs* & *Subſidies*, that appear moſt diſtaſteful to our *preſent Senſes*, and moſt remote from our preſent Intereſts.

You may now perhaps begin to anticipate the vaſt and ſalutary Conſequences of this grand Undertaking. Or, you may admire my Raſhneſs for having thus provoked the Envy of the projecting Brethren of this projecting Age. But I muſt deſire you to lay aſide all Anticipations, Admirations, &c. becauſe out of Time. If you anticipate, it may be to your own Coſt; and not to mine, that I am envied. As I have diſintereſtedly ſhut myſelf up againſt the Praiſes, public Honors, and Rewards that my Scheme will infallibly draw after it; I cannot be obnoxious to, or ſollicitous about, ſo contemptible an Enemy as *Envy* (which *only noſes the Rear of Merit*) can make me: For, ſays the Poet,

— Envy *follows* Merit, *like its Shade*.

I muſt obſerve however, what is extremely neceſſary to obſerve, that the preſent Scheme, like all others of any Import, muſt be backed by the *l*———*ve* and *ex*——*ve* Authority; for as it is in no degree ſelf-efficient, like the Politics of — the *Hottentots*, it muſt be matured into Practice and Perfection by powerful and united Endeavour.

To the firſt Article then, — *a new Mode of Education*. This Propoſition may appear, at firſt Sight, what the Polite call ſomewhat *outrè*, or what plain *Engliſh* terms, a little extravagant. But, when the amazing good Effects of it are duly conſidered, tho' ſome ſmall Difficulties ſhould ariſe in the Tillage; yet, when the Fruits are perceived more abundant than the Labor is tireſome, who would leave ſuch a Luxuriance of Soil uncultered, ſuch an Invitation of Succeſs unaccepted? Here (for the ſake of Argument) I have ſuppoſed Difficulties: Perhaps I might have a ſecond View in doing ſo: It is cuſtomary for all Shemiſts (to enhance the future Reputation of their Inventions) to entrench them over Head-and-Ears with *Pſeudo-Objections*, which they are elaborately to take off one after another, 'till they agreeably ſurprize us with the immaculate Simplicity of their ingenious Diſcoveries. But, were I allowed to depart from this prudent Rule, I ſhould franckly declare at once, I apprehend no more Difficulty in eſtabliſhing *a new Mode of Education*, than in getting *a new Set of Teeth* or *a new Skin*, both which (ſays the laſt Page of your Paper, which I ſuppoſe is your Surgery) may be had for a few Shillings.

Not ſo cheap however is our *new Education* to be purchaſed; nor, as the Effects are to be of much greater Value, would it be reaſonable it ſhould. But let us be brief.

There is a ſpacious Area, N. W. of good St. *Paul* (I mean the Church) and not very many Furlongs diſtant. It has been ſo much celebrated by the Pens of Poets, ſo famed for the Blood of holy Martyrs and black Cattle, ſo highly renowned for Drolls, Sights and Puppetſhews, that, after this, it is quite tedious to write ſo long a Word as *Smithfield*, with no other Intent than to ſignify it is the Place I mean. Let the Profeſſors in Wood (not the wooden Profeſſors) tranſlate as much of *Hornſey*-Wood (which, if I miſtake not, is cutting down for the Purpoſe) into the middle of the ſaid Area as may make a Bonfire *as big as a Houſe*.

But before the Pile be fired, there are ſeveral preparatory Meaſures to be taken. As my Countrymen are extremely fond of Sights, I propoſe the ſame kind of Seats ſhall be erected round the Pile as there was about the Peace-offering to *Vulcan* in the ever-memorable Year 1748 Seats for the Two H——s of P———, for all other the Nobility and Gentry of *Great-Britain*, and for all who can pay for them.

While theſe Things are getting ready, there ſhall be iſſued out a R— Proclamation, ſupported by a ſolemn Act of St—, ſtrictly requiring and commanding all loving Subjects, of every degree, at the Peril of their Lives, to take, apprehend, and bring in all ſtray and other Books, of what Size ſoever they be, whether *Folios*, *Quartos*, *Octavos*, *Duodecimos*, *Sexdecimos*, &c. &c. &c. bound or unbound, folded or in Quires, and depoſit them in the Care of in *Smithfield*, on or before the Day of in the Year of our L— 1752, *&c.*

Having thus collected all the Books in the Kingdom, not even thoſe of the Univerſities excepted, the Preſs ſhall be immediately licenſed, and another Proclamation, ſupported like the firſt, forbidding on Pain of Death, the Licence of Speech and Abuſe of Pen, Ink and Paper, ſhall follow next. Officers of the Cuſtoms, Exciſe, &c. muſt be directed to ſee this Placart duly obeyed, being properly aided by Companies of Dragoons, *&c.*

Every thing ſettled, and the Hour of Purgation come, "*Chiefs ſeated*, and *Crowds of Vulgar thronging round*," the mighty Fire is kindled!—

Are ye not in Dread, ye ſcribling Tribe! All your Years of Labour deſtroy'd in one fell Hour! But let not Sorrow come expected: Every Bard is not alike devoted.

Let me ſee—I think, Sir, the preſent Purpoſe, which is to make us approve *foreign Politics*, demands no more than that all the Books which have been wrote, regarding the particular Intereſts of this Kingdom, ſhould be burnt. *Polity*, *Hiſtory*, and *Geography*, are all the offenſive Studies. Let neutral Science be preſerved, tho' it ſpoil the Show.

Come forward then, ye ill-ſtarr'd Sages: Firſt periſh thou *Verulam*, *Coke* and *Harrington* blaze next; *Lock* and *Shafteſbury*, *Davenant* and *Trenchard*, *Sidney*, *Bolingbroke*, *Orrery*, the whole promiſcuous Train, let now encreaſe the Flame.

Advance *Hiſtorians*, ſeize the Blaze: You were ſome of you Martyrs before. They crackle louder than the People holla: Sure the Ghoſts of *Raleigh* or ſome tormented Churchman, brooks not this double Death: But Fire is Victory.

Geographers meaſure here your Longitudes and Latitudes. Alas! poor old *Salmon* again tortured! But thou deſerved'ſt treble Torment: Thou haſt not only taught us our Situation by thy wicked *Geography*, but our Intereſts in thy ſeditious *Hiſtory*.

Now, Sir, with your Leave, let us ſuppoſe this Conflagration over: For as an Author I believe you will not be fond of ſeeing it continue.

You obſerve all Maxims of Policy, all Knowlege of Men, of the Trading Intereſts, and of the Advantage of our Situation, are utterly loſt and dead: For by the wholeſome Prohibition of Speaking, Writing, or Printing, abovementioned, all dangerous Communications between Father and Son, will be effectually prevented; and if not effectually prevented immediately, may be exemplarily puniſhed 'till it is.

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While the Adult ſhould be thus dealt with, I would propoſe a Practice, in great Vogue among the *Turks*, for the Younglings. They might be taken be into R— Colleges, like the Seraglio of the *Janizaries*, and there be tutored in a manner ſuitable to the Doctrine of the Times. As there is a Blank (ſays Mr. *Lock*) in the Mind, they will receive the deepeſt Abſurdities for the deepeſt Wiſdom. Let them be told, that *England* is a Tributary to ***; that the firſt is a little, dirty Corner of the World entirely dependent on, and preſerved by, the laſt — it will be Goſpel all. New Titles of Honour may be created: Inſtead of addreſſing, *to his Gr—*, to *my L—d*, *to Sir John Buytitle, Knt. & Bart. to John Trotplaid, Eſq*; they may write, *to his Baubleſhip*; *to his Pliancy*; *to Gull John Buytitle, Cully & Fool*; *to John Trotplaid, Underling, &c. — Slave, Tool*, might be uſed for *Sir, Worſhip*. Cuſtom will regulate the Grammar.

Much more might be ſaid in the Praiſe and Elucidation of this grand Scheme, but that I think I have already anſwered the Deſign propoſed. I have not only ſhewed how *Foreign Subſidies* may become applauded throughout *Britain*, but the way of converting every *Domeſtic Folly* into the Idea of profound Policy.

I am, SIR, *yours*,
JUVENALIS.

Erratum in our laſt:
Page 2, *Col.* 1, *expunge the whole Crotchet near the Top, and read*,

Quære, Does not ſuch vaſt Power in a *Lord Lieutenant* invite *Ariſtocracy?* Let the *Lord Lieutenant* and the Parliamentary Members of a County, under certain Regulations, rather divide the Power between them: The firſt command in Chief, the laſt appoint the Officers.

LONDON.

The Court will go into ſecond Mourning for the late Queen of Denmark on Sunday the 1ſt of March next.

On Tueſday laſt died at his Houſe in Park Place, Sir John Hinde Cotton, Bart. He was a Commiſſioner of Trade & Plantations in the Reign of Queen Anne; alſo Member in ſeveral Parliaments in that Reign for the Town of Cambridge; and in the laſt Parliament of his late Majeſty was one of the Knights of the Shires for the County of Cambridge; and in the two firſt Parliaments of his preſent Majeſty, ſerved again for the Town of Cambridge; in the laſt and preſent Parliaments for Marlborough; he was alſo Treaſurer of the Chamber to his Majeſty in 1742. He married firſt a Daughter of Sir Ambroſe Crawle, Knt. and has left Iſſue one Son, now Sir John Hinde Cotton, and one Daughter.

On the 30th of January died, at his Seat at Wingerworth in Derbyſhire, Sir Windſor Hunloke, Bart. He married Charlotte, Siſter to Sir Robert Throckmorton, by whom he had four Sons and five Daughters, and is ſucceeeded in Title and Eſtate by his eldeſt Son.

On Sunday laſt died, in the eighty-third Year of his Age, Mr. John Beaver, who was upwards of fifty Years Steward to the Hon. Society of Grey's Inn; and on Tueſday laſt Mr. Adams, the Underſteward, was, by the Benchers of the Society, unanimouſly appointed to ſucceed him.

Wedneſday was found dead in his Bed at his Lodgings at Rotherhithe, Mr. Hawkins, Chief Mate of the Anna Maria, bound to Barbados.

We hear that the Herring Fiſhery ſociety are ſending Twine to various Workhouſes in and about London, in order for employing their Poor in making Nets for the enſuing Seaſon; and that there is great Probality theſe Poor, as well as others, will be furniſhed with Work all the Year round.

The preſent ſituation of Things, with regard to the numerous Poor in this Kingdom, ſeems to put the Herring Fiſhery into our Hands beyond the Poſſibility of eſbaping us. For it is ſhid, this Trade will furniſh Employment for all Sexes and Ages, for the Old and Infirm, as well as the Young and Able; therefore our Poor may be generally uſed therein. They are wholly maintained by the Public at preſent, and if in Part maintained while ſo employed, we muſt certainly, and in no very long Time, beat out every other Nation in this Fiſhery, and have no Beggars here any more than in Holland.

It having been humbly repreſented to the King, that, on Wedneſday tne 15th of January, between 10 and 11 at Night, George Cary, of Epping, was robbed and berbarouſly murdered, by two or more Men, between tho 13 and 14 Mile Poſt, on Epping Foreſt: His Majeſty, for bringing to Juſtice the Perſons connerned in the ſaid Robbery and Murder, has promiſed his moſt gracious Pardon to any one of them, (except the Perſon that actually committed the Murder) who ſhall diſcover his Accomplice therin, ſo that he may be apprehended, and convicted thereof; and alſo a Reward of One Hundred P unds to any Perſon, whether an Accomplice or not, (except the Perſon that committed the Murder) who ſhall make ſuch diſcovery, over and above the Reward for apprehending Highwaymen; the ſaid One Hundred Pounds, to be paid by the Lords Commiſſioners of his Majeſty's Treaſury, upon conviction of one or more of the Criminals.

And as a further Encouragement, William Harvey, of Chigwell, and John Conyers, of Epping Place in the County of Eſſex, Eſqrs. have jointly promiſed a Reward of Twenty Pounds, who ſhall be ſo apprehended and convicted, to be paid to the Perſon, making ſuch Diſcovery upon Conviction of the reſpective Criminals; or, the Sum of Ten Pounds, to any Perſon who ſhall only apprehend & bring before the Right Hon. the Lord Mayor of the City of London.

Tueſday Henry Rolfe was brought to the Poultry Compter, upon ſu'picion of being concerned in the ſaid Murder. He was apprehended at Biſhop Strotford in Herdfordſhire. And on Wedneſday he was committed to Newgate by the Right Hon. the Lord Mayor, on the Oath of one Green, who ſwore he was in the Cart when Cary was killed; and that this Rolfe was the Man that committed the Murder, and ſaid he knew him by his Voice.

Monday Morning, about 5 o'Clock, a Trooper, belonging to the Horſe Guards, was knocked down by two Footpads, and robbed of his Watch; he had been to receive ſome Money in the Country, which it is thought the Villains knew, and followed him from the Place he received at.

A few Days ago, a Coach and four was ſtopped on the Road to Poriſmouth, on an Information of ſome prohibited Good being therein, and foreign Gold and Silver Lace to the Value of 250 l. and upwards was accordingly found in it.

Two Italian Gentlemen who had reſided ſome Time in Naſſau-ſtreet, near Newport Market, were robbed by their Interpreter of a Portmanteau, in which were 500 l. and Jewels ſuppoſed to be worth 10,000 l. As to the Interpreter, who is an Italian, is expected to get from this Kingdom, a Deſcription of him is ſent to the Sea Ports, to prevent his Embarkation.

Monday Morning, about 7 o'Clock, the Soldier under ſentence of Death, was brought from the Savoy to the Parade, by a Party of the Regiment he belonged, and there received by a large Detachment of the Third Regiment of Foot Guards, who eſcorted him to the Place of Execution; he behaved very decently, and with much ſeeming Devotion. After he had received the firſt Fire he was obſerved to move, and his Commotions occaſioned great Pain; upon which one of the Reſerve advanced and ſhot him thro' the Head. It is remarkable, that the Father of this unhappy Man came to Town by Accident about two Days before his Son ſuffered; and upon enquiring for him found him in theſe melancholy Circumſtances: He accompanied him from the Parade to the Place of Execution, where he expreſſed great Agony in parting from him.

Yeſterday ſe'nnight a Soldier of the ſecond Regiment of Foot Guards received 100 Laſhes on the Parade, with a Cat of Nine Tails, for Deſertion. His Sentence wss to have 600 Laſhes at three different Times, and this was the ſecond Part of his Puniſhment, but after he had received 100 Laſhes, the Surgeon who was preſent delared, that any more at that Time would endanger his Liſe, his Strength being ſo much exhauſted; upon which he was remand back to the Savoy.

We hear that two Men of War and a ſloop ſailed ſome Time ago from Plymouth, for Annamaboo, on the Coaſt of Africa, to prevent the French Fleet, where it is ſaid to be gone, from building a Fort there: And we are alſo aſſured, that the French have given our Court a Categorical Anſwer, that they would not evacute St. Lucia, and the reſt of the Neutral Iſlands in the Weſt Indies.

They write from New York, by the laſt Veſſel arrived, that the Report there, that the ſix Nations of Indians depending on that Province had abandoned their Fortreſs, and gone over to the French, proves without Foundation, they ſtill continuing in in Friendſhip with the above Province, and the others on that Continent; and that ſince the Acquittance of the French and Spaniards at Caraccao, the Dutch Traders in the Weſt Indies carry on their Trade without any Interruption.

We hear from Dublin, that laſt Week a provoked Husband near Augher in the County of Tyrone, cut at one ſtroke, a Fellow's Head off, whom he found in Bed with his Wife.

The firſt 10,000 l. Prize in the late Lottery was claimed on Monday at the Lottery Office at Whitehall by Mr. Lewis, Gardner to Sir John Shelly, of Suſſex; and a Certificate was given him for 10000 l Stock in Exchange for his Ticket.

It is obſerved, in a private Letter from a Perſon of Rank at Vienna, that it had been accounted very extraordiuary there, that no leſs than twenty General Officers in the Imperial Service have died within a few Months.

Letters from Italy mention a very extraordinary Inſtance of unnatural Cruelty committed lately at Villafranca. A young Man of good Family made his Addreſſes to a young Woman of a conſiderable Fortune, and, without Difficulty, prevailed upon his Father to make over his Eſtate to him, in order to facilitate the Marriage. After it was concluded, he forbad the old Gentleman his Houſe, and refuſed him any kind of Aſſiſtance. His Wife, however, relieved her Father-in-law as far as was in her Power, which coming to the Husband's Knowlege, he pretended to go out of Town, but returned and caught his Father at Dinner; who retiring quickly into another Room, this furious Monſter drew a Piſtol and ſhot his Wife through the Head; for which he is to be broke alive upon the Wheel.

Mr. Keith's Chapel, in May-Fair, Hyde-Park Corner, where the Marriages are performed by Virtue of a Crown Stamp and Certificate for a Guinea, is oppoſite the great Chapel and within Ten Yards of it. The Way to the Chapel is thro' Piccadilly, by the End of St. James's-ſtreet, and down Clarges-ſtreet, and turn on the Left-Hand.—Several Perſons belonging to Churches and Chapels together with many others, ſuppoſing the Marriages to be detrimental to their Intereſt, have made it their Buſineſs to rave and clamour, but in ſuch a Manner, as not to deſerve an Anſwer, becauſe every Thing they have ſaid tends only to expoſe their own Ignorance and Malice, in the Opinion of People of good Senſe and Underſtanding.

COUNTRY NEWS.

Briſtol, Feb. 1. The Farmer, who engaged to ride one thouſand Miles in as many Hours, compleated the Undertaking on Wedneſday laſt, which was four Days before the Time expired; a Performance never known in England before. There were great Betts depending on it, and ſeveral hundred Pounds were loſt.

Yeſterday ſe'nnight John Jones, Tyler and Plaiſterer, and John Jackſon, Painter, were committed to Newgate, for having felonioufly aſſaulted and robbed Mr. Samuel Rich, in Maudlin Lane in this City, of a Gold Watch, a 36 s. Piece, and 7s. in ſilver; and Mr. Edward Shircliff, in Queen-ſquare, of a ſilver Watch, 3s. in ſilver, and ſome Half-pence; and alſo for aſſaulting Mr. Wasborough on Durdham Down the Night before, as he was coming to Town; when one of them caught hold of his Horſe's Bridle, and demanded his Money, but he bravely defended himſelf by giving him a Blow with the End of his Whip, which almoſt felled him to the Ground; when the Villain fired a Piſtol at him, whoſe Ball went through his Great Coat, but happily did no other Damage. Upon Examination before Jacob Peloquin, Eſq; Mayor, both confeſſed the Fact they were charged with.

FOREIGN AFFAIRS.

ITALY.

Genoa, Jan. 4. *O. S.* The Diſcords between the Marquis de Curzay, Commandant of the French Troops in the Iſland of Corſica, and the Marquis Grimaldi, Commiſſary General of the Republic in the ſame Iſland, principally aroſe from the different Ideas thoſe two Officers entertained of the Ways and Means propoſed for the final accomodating of the important Affairs of that Iſland. The Republic, however, being much concerned at thoſe angry Debates between them, have ſent freſh Directions to the Commiſſary, for the future Regulation of his Conduct, which have happily anſwered the End propoſed, by Virtue whereof that Coldneſs, which was too viſible, between them is perfectly removed & they are as good Friends as ever.

GERMANY.

Vienna, Jan. 17. *O. S.* We are going to eſtabliſh here a new Wollen Manufactory, for which the Houſe and Gardens of Count Vander Nath are taken.

The Difficulties which have hitherto retarded the ſigning the Definitive Convention between the Court and that of Madrid, are at length happily removed.

LOW COUNTRIES.

Hague, Jan. 28. *O. S.* The last Letters from Barbary confirm the Loss of our Man of War on the Coast of Morocco, but with this Alleviation, that Capt. Steynis and about 200 of his Men are living, having been carried to Tetuan, where some say they are put in Irons in order for Slavery, and others, that they are treated very humanely. The same Letters add, that the Hamburghers will hardly carry their Point.

Hague, Jan. 29. *O. S.* The Regency of the little Republic of Lucca, in Italy have lately given an eminent Instance of their Resolution to keep their Roads clear of Robbers, having caused seventeen of the thirty Banditti that had been apprehended near the Lake of Angierra, are convicted of several horrid Crimes, to be broke alive upon the Wheel, seven to be burnt, and the remaining six hanged. There were found among the Bushes, by the Lake Side, almost all the Silver Plate stolen from the Marquis Favorio, eleven Chalices, some Gold, some Silver; two large silver Incense Pots, and several Ingots of Gold & Silver, amounting in the whole to a very considerable Sum.

SAXONY.

Hamburgh, Jan. 21, *O. S.* They write from Copenhagen, that the Funeral Procession of the Queen of Denmark set out on the 15th Inst. for the Royal Tomb at Rotschild. The King (who continues inconsolable) design'd to have accompanied the Corpse thither; but through the pressing Entreaties of the principal Nobility, was prevailed on to go no farther than Fridrichsberg.

SWEDEN.

Stockholm, Jan. 2, *O. S.* Though Count Tessin's Request to quit his Employments has been profitably allowed by the States of the Kingdom, this Affair is not yet quite determined, and a new Attempt is to be made towards engaging him to continue in Place.

BANKRUPTS.

Samuel Gerrard, late of Chester, Cornfactor.

William Smith, late of Fish-street Hill, London, Draper, Salesman and Taylor.

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